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CONNECTIVITY COMMUNICATIONS  
OVER A PACKET-SWITCHING OPTICAL  
RING NETWORK USING COMPOSITE  
PACKETS

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Group Art Unit: TBA

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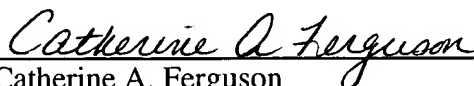
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